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age **7+** 



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Vampires, shapeshifters, werewolves, and other creatures from crypt form a tight-knit, camouflaged and colourful community not far from where

people live. Some of this book's heroes are well over 200 years old. They can levitate, keep bats as their beloved pets, but apart from these small details, they are extremely similar to humans. They also have butterflies in the stomach when they fall in love. They might tease each other at school, and they would do anything for their friends.

Enjoy the tales of Vampian, Bighter, White Lady, McMarshy, Poison Granny and Grandad Gravesy, and learn all about the obstacles that thwart the music career of teen band The Cryptles.

We warn you that this book is so dead engrossing that you'll forget about the entire world, or you might even die laughing, but there's no way you'll ever die of boredom.

- a book of great literary value light prose, amusing style, great dialogues, beautifully structured characters
- an adventure book on the face of it, but with psychological depth, tackling topics relevant to schoolchildren
- the nature of the heroes vampires, shapeshifters and werewolves means that the action takes place at night, and so presenting the world as a kind of negative makes every day human features, emotions and beliefs that we might not notice on a daily basis even more visible
- typical relations characteristic of horror novels are also reversed here the heroes have to dispel the fear of the human world that is alien to them
- the characters hail from a fantasy world; they are different, but most of all they are friendly, completely harmless creatures, and their community is governed by the same rules as the human world
- a novel about growing up the plot appeals to the imagination of young readers who can identify with the heroes who are students and have ordinary school problems related to making friends, their first love, and dealing with violence among their peers
- a book that teaches sensitivity and respect for others, tolerance and acceptance of differences, whether in terms of appearance or behavior, etc.
- the book helps to break stereotypes and avoid them when it comes to relationships with others - everyone is different or strange in some way, but this does not have to arouse hostility or fear

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